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PRICE TWO CENTS

SECRET RUSSIAN-JAPAN TREATY MADE

DRAFTEES LEAVE FOR FORT AT PORTLAND

Twelve Men From Rockingham District,
Assigned to Coast Artillery, Entertained By Chamber of Commerce
During Stay in This City

The final fifteen per cent of the first draft quota from Rockingham county No. 1, left this city on the 9:50 a. m. train Friday morning bound for Fort Williams Portland Harbor, where they will be assigned to the coast artillery.

The men assembled in this city on Thursday evening and were quartered at the Army and Navy Home on Daniel street. During the evening they were entertained by the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce at a box party at the Colonial Theatre.

During the evening the men were also furnished with sweaters and other knitted articles by the local Red Cross Chapter and the boys thoroughly appreciated these gifts.

Friday morning the men again assembled at the Court house on State street, and accompanied by Mayor Samuel T. Ladd, Ceylon Spinney, chairman of the local board; Secretary Edgar H. Baker of the Chamber of Commerce, and other members of the chamber were escorted to the railroad station in automobiles.

Every one of the twelve selected men put in an appearance, and so the alternates previously named, were not

obliged to go. Fred Lewis Martin of Portsmouth was in charge of the party with Ray Herbert Foss of Rye, second in command. The men were: Roland P. Ots, Studebaker Garage, Portsmouth.

John Joseph Moran, 6 Jewell Court, Portsmouth.

Ray Herbert Foss, Rye.

Lewis Florent Bouche, Elm street, Newmarket.

Joseph Edgerton Parks, Silas Pierce Company, Portsmouth.

Fred Lewis Martin, Post Office Box 12, Portsmouth.

Arthur St. Hilaire, West Peterborough.

George Reicher Dawson, 112 Cass street, Portsmouth.

Howard Clifton Hersey, 3 Manning street, Portsmouth.

Charles Henry Hoyt, Highland street, Newton.

Stephen Wallace, Newmarket.

Augustus E. Spinney, 36 Hanover street, Portsmouth.

Alternates

William Claude Raymond, 203 Cass street, Portsmouth.

Jeremiah G. Crowley, 40 Dover street Portsmouth.

Petrograd Newspaper Publishes What It Says Is Text of Secret Treaty Made in 1916—Russia and Japan to Prevent U. S. and Great Britain From Achieving Political Dominance in China

REFUSE TO SHOW RECORDS

Drastic Action to Be Taken Against Swift & Co. by U. S. Government.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 21.—Swift and Co. of Chicago have refused to deliver to the Federal Trade Commission records desired by the Commission in its investigation of the packing industry and drastic action will be taken in court to force the packing company to produce the records.

WILL RECOMMEND LEGISLATION

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 21.—President Wilson will send a message to Congress immediately after the holiday recess recommending legislation to meet the transportation situation. Until it has been recommended, the President today requested that the service Interstate commerce committee withhold making any investigation as provided under the Cummins resolution.

CONFIDENT OF GEN. PERSHING

Maj. Gen. Hugh L. Scott, Just Home From Europe, Tells War Dept. Officials.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 21.—Direct assurances of the confidence of both British and French commanders in Gen. Pershing's ability and their satisfaction with the breadth and soundness of his preparation to make American armies effective on the western front.

have reached Washington with the return from Europe of Major General Hugh L. Scott, former chief of staff who was in conference today with Secretary Baker and other war department officials.

PEACE OFFER REJECTED

London, Dec. 21.—It is reported unofficially that the Germans have rejected the Russian peace terms, the Petrograd correspondent for the Exchange Telegraph wires under the date of Thursday.

Dartmouth Club dance, Pierce hall, Dec. 27. Music by Jazz band.

MAY ASK QUEBEC TO SECEDE

Such a Proposal is Introduced in Provincial Assembly and Motion Will Be Debated Jan. 8

(By Associated Press)

Quebec, Dec. 21.—A proposal that the Province of Quebec secede from the confederation of Canadian provinces was introduced in the provincial legislative assembly today, by J. N. Franco, one of the deputies.

Quebec is the only province which voted against conscription at the recent election. The motion will be debated on January 8. It follows:

"That this house is of the opinion that the Province of Quebec would be disposed to accept the rupture of the federation pact of 1867, if, in the opinion of the other provinces, it is believed that the said province is an obstacle to the union and the progress and development of Canada."

THE WEATHER

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WOULD SERVE UNITED STATES

Russian Officers in France,
Men Without a Country,
to Fight On.

With the American Army in France, Dec. 20.—The officers of the Russian army in France have volunteered as a body to give their services to the United States.

The officers are desirous of continuing the battle against the Germans, notwithstanding the Russo-German peace negotiations, and declare they will welcome an opportunity to fight to the finish for Russia under the Stars and Stripes.

The ranking Russian officer, who made the request that he and his subordinates be taken into the American service, guaranteed to vouch for everyone accepted. All grades are included in the request, from second lieutenants up.

There also have been suggestions that it might be possible to form for the Russians an organization similar to the French Foreign Legion or the Lafayette Flying Squadron. There is a general feeling that the action of the Russian officers will have a moral effect in their country.

The correspondent who was authorized to make the announcement understands that the matter is under consideration, and that the offer undoubtedly will be referred to Washington. It is considered not unlikely that many of the Russian soldiers now in France, and virtually without a country, may follow the lead of their officers.

The laws of the United States prohibit the incorporation into the army of any but American citizens, but it is hoped a way may be found by which these men can be of service to the United States and the Allies in general.

The officers are some of the best in-

the Russian army. There are aviators among them and many who possess excellent military knowledge and speak French and English, might be of assistance in various ways.

In April of last year five contingents of Russian troops were landed at Marseilles, after a land and sea journey of approximately 17,500 miles from Moscow to Port Dalny, Manchuria, by rail, and thence by water.

The number of men in these contingents was estimated at something like 25,000, although no official figures were given. A sector in the Champagne was taken over by the Russian troops.

When the Russo-German armistice negotiations were begun, the Germans stipulated that the Russians in France must be included in the armistice.

AMBULANCE MEN TO BE EXCHANGED

Berné, Switzerland, Dec. 21—Germany and France have just completed arrangements for the exchange of a large number of medical and ambulance men from prison camps. A thousand Germans and 500 French nurses and members of the ambulance corps will be exchanged by way of Switzerland in the next few days.

CHRISTMAS AT THE COLONIAL THEATRE.

The Chicago Stock Co. will present two wonderful plays at the Colonial Christmas day. At the matinee they will repeat Monday night's play of "The Barber," and at night a new American comedy drama, "A Soldier's Sweetheart." The prices for Christmas day are: Matinee, entire lower floor 30 cents, entire balcony 20 cents (reserved); night, entire lower floor 50 cents, balcony 20 and 30 cents. Seats are now on sale for the Christmas performances.

SAYS U. S. TROOPS LACK GUNS

Vermont Man Wishes Washington Easy-Chair Diplomats Might Experience Trench Life.

Burlington, Vt., Dec. 21.—Coming from Vimy Ridge, where the dead bodies still lie prone in the mud, to the easy-chair atmosphere of Washington, Congressman Porter H. Dale's message to the people of the United States is: "For God's sake, wake up and realize what this war means!"

American troops without guns, without enough blankets, without necessary equipment and wholly unprepared for the terrific struggle which they must face, is a situation that sends Mr. Dale back to this country with but one desire—to impress on Washington and Vermont, his home state, the tremendous peril and responsibility that faces this Nation.

"Talk about a short war," said Mr. Dale. "We shall be mighty lucky if we get through this war in two years, at such an expense, and with a loss of men that will run into hundreds of thousands."

"I wish I might say to every department head in Washington: 'Wake up! I wish I could take them with me to Vimy Ridge, where the guns do not crash or detonate, but just explode in one continual roar.'

"I did not go into the front line trenches—I don't think it is any place for civilian—but I walked among the stark, dead bodies of gallant Englishmen and Canadians.

"Why unbowed? Because men are so precious and the German aviators so vigilant that even a burying party in the open is immediately marked and cut down by their quick firing guns.

"Yes, I wish I had some of these easy chair Washington department fellows at Vimy Ridge, men who, after eight months of war, and not enough guns in France to equip our men, are still telling the newspapers that everything is all right."

KITTERY

Kittery, Dec. 21.—Dirigo Encampment, I. O. O. F., meets tonight at Odd Fellows hall.

Train Academy closed today for the Christmas recess. Miss Grace Furnham will pass the holidays at her home in Danbury, N. H., and Miss Minnie Converse with her parents at West Wellington, Conn.

Miss Clara Bushee is the guest over the holidays of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. D'Lamouroux.

Mrs. M. L. Brewster of Love Lane was a visitor in Dover on Wednesday. Up to 7 o'clock Thursday evening, 225 new members had been reported to the Red Cross committee on membership. A large percentage of this number have joined through Train Academy students.

Mrs. Justin H. Shaw is restricted to her home on Pleasant street by illness. The Dennett school closed today for the holiday vacation. Christmas exercises were held under the direction of the teacher, Miss Florence Odell.

Mr. Thomas Ritchie of Commercial street still continues to slowly improve from his illness.

Mrs. Julia Langdon of Lynn, Mass., is visiting her son, Howard Langdon, and family on Central street.

The Amateur Club meets tonight with Miss Harriet Jenner of Otis avenue.

Prof. G. H. D. L'Amouroux has been a recent visitor in Boston.

Miss Myrtle Moulton of Boston is the holiday guest of her aunt, Mrs. Charles T. Trafton of Lutts avenue.

Mrs. William Flite of Otis avenue continues to improve from her illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Selwyn Caswell of Pine street have been recent visitors with his parents at North Kittery.

The choir of the Second Christian church will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the home of Alexander Dennett of Otis avenue.

The Red Cross campaign will continue up to 2:30 p. m., Dec. 24, when the lights will be arranged behind the service flags in all the windows. The Academy boys and girls who have been doing such good work cannot keep off school closed today, but the regular committee will work up to Monday night in the districts to which they have been assigned. The following is a complete list of the memberships taken daily: Monday, Dec. 17, 173; Tuesday, 38; Wednesday, 45; Thursday, 40; and a few which came too late to be recorded made a total of three hundred. The allotment for Kittery is 550, so the cordial help of the whole community is requested that we may reach that number if possible.

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SOUTH AGAINST THE NORTH

More of Germany's Work in South America Revealed in Luxburg Correspondence. Had Alined Countries Against U. S.

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 20.—Evidence of a German plot to align the nations of South America against the United States, has been disclosed in the messages of Count Von Luxburg the former German minister to Argentina, made public today by the state department.

In the messages or which there are about forty he tells of inducing President Irigoyen of Argentina to enter into a secret agreement with Chile and Bolivia for protecting against the Uni-

ted States and that he did his utmost to induce Peru to join the league.

In Latin America the announcements are expected to result in Argentina declaring war on Germany.

Translation of messages were given out only after an agreement with the Argentine Minister. In a message of July 20 he tells of the completion of a "recycling plant" and asks the waste lengths of the powerful station at Naueh. Indication of the means he used to communicate with his home government were disclosed in some of

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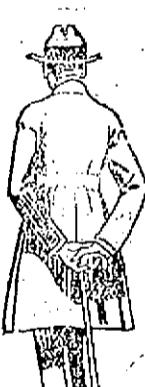
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PASSES MINIMUM QUOTA IN RED CROSS DRIVE

Membership Teams Report Good Progress and Hope to Reach 3,500. Red Cross Hut Doing Good Work

HELD ANNUAL ELECTION

The annual meeting of the Kearny Lodge No. 208, N. E. O. P., was held on Thursday night and the following officers were elected:

Past Warden, Amy E. Scuman. Warden, Frank H. Meloon. Vice Warden, Weldon W. Shurman. Chaplain, Marion B. Greene. Secretary, Willie T. Lord. Financial Secretary, Charles W. Greene. Treasurer, Harry H. Faute. Guide, Cora E. Cook. Guardian, John N. Goodall. Sentinel, Wm. A. A. Culkin. Trustee 3 years, Wm. W. Dunbar. Delegates to N. H. Grand Lodge, Amy E. Schutriman, Harry H. Poote. Alternates to N. H. Grand Lodge, Charles W. Greene, Wm. A. A. Culkin.

FELL INTO THE DRY DOCK

Charles W. Hanscom, employed as a helper at the navy yard, fell into the dry dock on Thursday afternoon from a staging. He fell about ten feet into the bottom of the dock and while badly shaken up and bruised, no bones were broken and he was able to go home after being treated at the yard dispensary.

BOWLING

The Rockingham Light and Power Co. bowling team tried a new wrinkle on Thursday evening at the Hogan alleys, when they rolled three teams. The office team looked as though they had been in the meter department but they came through with a win, with the construction department second. They all had their roosters with them and they made things lively. L. Berry was high for three string total with 286 and his 113 was high single also.

The teams are taking a great interest in the league and are rapidly developing a fast team. The scores:

	Office Dept.	Construction Dept.	Linenmen's Dept.	Arcade Alleys.
Kelleher	70	71	74—216	
L. Berry	76	69	75—219	
L. Berry	92	113	80—286	
Trefethen	84	73	87—244	
McNamee	87	82	100—278	
	403	403	426 1241	
				423 384 401 1207

At the Arcade alleys Thursday evening the "Brown Cows" from the navy yard defeated the Pattern shop team by 44 pins. The score:

	Brown Cows
Jackson	76
Paul	85
Ferry	83
Hobertson	86
W. Fernard	81
	411 396 455 1265
	413 387 421 1231

RUSSIAN OFFICERS IN FRANCE VOLUNTEER FOR OUR FORCES

With the American Army in France Dec. 20.—By the Associated Press—The officers of the Russian army in France have volunteered as a body to give services to the United States.

showing but will not report before Saturday night.

The judges committee in making their canvass of the residential districts often found people out, and they have been unable in some cases to get back over the same territory, so that if there are any places missed, if they will call Dr. Boger's office, she as chairman of the women's committee will see that a collector will be sent around.

There has been a very gratifying return from the people of foreign birth, who all appear to have a good knowledge of the Red Cross and seem anxious to become members.

While the official figures were not available last evening Chairman Matthews of the local committee, said that he was well satisfied that the minimum quota had been reached.

In the reports from the state by counties up to Tuesday night, Rockingham county is second. Chairman Sise received the figures on Thursday and this county is only headed by Merriam.

The figures for the first two days by counties are: Coos, 666; Cheshire, 452; Merrimack 6212; Hillsborough, 2426; Belknap, 2355; Strafford, 1188; Rockingham, 2875. A total of 14,073.

The hut will be in operation for the rest of the week and today those in charge will be:

Forenoon—Chaperones, Mrs. E. Curtis Matthews, Mrs. Ray C. Foye, Mrs. DeCartier, Mrs. George Woods, Taggers, Misses Marguerite Stoddard, Mary Ingalls, Helen Purish, and Mary Flinlyson. In the afternoon, Chaperones, Miss John Durbin, Mrs. Walter Woods and Mrs. Ruth Tucker. Taggers, girls from the Patriotic League.

WILL LOOK INTO CLOTHING AND SUPPLIES

Washington, Dec. 20.—The senate military committee virtually completed its investigation of the ordnance branch of the war department today and they will now devote their time to the quartermasters department such as clothing supplies of all kinds and the canteen.

COAL FOR N. E. BY WATER ASSURED

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 20.—Arrangements for improving the water transportation from Hampton Roads to New England to relieve the coal situation, were discussed at a meeting today of Fuel Administrator Garfield, Mr. J. J. Storrow, fuel administrator of New England, and the governors and senators of the New England states.

Dr. Garfield presented a plan by which the coal from the Virginia coal field will be directed, that from the western part by railroad to the west and that of the east, by water.

MAY BUILD WOODEN SHIPS BUT NOT STEEL

(By Associated Press)

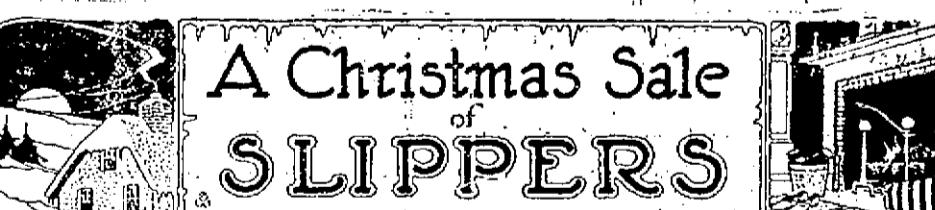
Washington, Dec. 20.—A definite statement was made by the Shipping Board to the effect that they would not encourage the building of wooden ships for private ownership unless they interfered with government work, but they would not permit the building of steel ships for private firms.

SIXTY-SEVEN KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK

(By Associated Press)

Sheppertonville, Ky., Dec. 20.—Sixty-seven known dead and between forty and fifty injured, many of them seriously, resulted when a Louisville and Nashville railroad train from Cincinnati to New Orleans tonight crashed into an accommodation train near here.

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Portsmouth, N. H., Friday, December 21, 1917.

The Use of Christmas Trees.

In a dispatch from Washington published in this paper a few days ago reference was made to the subject of Christmas trees, and to the fact that every year numerous writers inveigh against the cutting of evergreen trees for such use, on the ground that it involves destruction that is detrimental to the country. The practice is represented as almost criminally wasteful and dire consequences are predicted as a result.

It is consequently gratifying to find such an authority as H. A. Smith, editor of Forestry Service, arraying himself against an agitation which he considers unwarranted. He takes no stock in the cry of "the needless slaughter of the Nation's forest resources." He sensibly and truthfully declares that "trees are for use," and sees no harm in supplying the demand for Christmas trees if reasonable judgment is exercised.

There will probably be fewer Christmas trees used this year than usual, for obvious reasons, but there is no reason why they should not be used by those who want them and are in a position to have them. In the cities Christmas trees are especially prized, for there they bring to thousands of children their first glimpse of one of the greatest beauties of the countryside. The freshness and fragrance of the Christmas tree are delightful anywhere, and it is not easy to imagine the pleasure that such a tree brings to those who never saw one growing.

The shipping of Christmas trees to the cities is mutually beneficial. It brings honest dollars to the farmers who are in a position to supply the demand without endangering the country's forest resources, and to the children of the cities pleasures which they could not otherwise know.

The clamor against the cutting of Christmas trees may be well meant, but it is unwarranted by the facts in the case. No intelligent land owner is going to injure his property by cutting trees which can not well be spared, and those that can be spared are put to an excellent use when sent to the cities at the holiday season.

Conservation is a good thing, but nothing is gained by carrying it to an extreme. Nothing is truer than that trees are for use; and the country is not impoverished or endangered in any way by the cutting of such trees as are demanded in the cities every year at the time of the world's greatest and happiest holiday.

A young American who has seen service at the front says the French figure that the "first seven years of the war will be rather rough, but after that they expect it to quiet down and finally fade out." Those who accept this view should be comforted by the thought that nearly one half of the rough part of the war is over.

How many of the people of Portsmouth were aware that Henry Clay Barnabee, who has just died at his home in Massachusetts at the ripe age of 82 years, was a native of this city? He was for many years one of the leading comic opera stars of the country and was recognized as such from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

When advised to eat fish the people are not asked to do something which they cannot do if they will. The Alaska salmon yield for the year breaks all previous records, amounting to more than 5,000,000 cases valued at more than \$40,000,000. And in the meantime the Atlantic fisheries have not been idle.

It is announced that Billy Sunday is going to France "to preach against the Kaiser, who has usurped the place of the devil." But why take up a new job before the old one has been completed? The devil has not yet been put out of business in this country.

Tuskegee Institute in Alabama is experimenting in making bread of a combination of flour and sweet potatoes. That may be all right for Alabama, but up here in the frozen North the conservers of wheat will stick to the good old-fashioned "rye an' Injun."

The coal situation in this city is not all that the people would like to have it, but according to reports relief is headed New Englandward and it is hoped that Portsmouth will receive its share when it arrives.

The people are warned against the hoarding and extravagant use of coal. The warning against hoarding may be in order, but the price may be trusted to prevent its extravagant use.

Wasn't there culpability somewhere when three marines were burned to death in a guard house in Pennsylvania the other day?

TALK GIVEN TO TELEPHONE EMPLOYEES

man results of the service, as does every one of us in the telephone business. That may be putting ourselves on the back, but when a user of the service first realizes the standardization of our work in every branch and sees the necessity for that standardization, he must know that the most intensive thought is put into the executive direction of our employees, and that everything we do has its foundation upon the desire to perform the most efficient work at all times."

SALES MEN FLOCKING HERE ON STEEL PLANT

There has been a regular stream of traveling men arriving in this city since the announcement was made of the big steel shipbuilding contract. Telephones have been kept busy and The Herald lines are hard hit with queries from the crowd that has flocked to the Herald office. One would never know there was any scarcity of labor. If you want to communicate with the officers, write care this office.

SPECIAL PRICES AT DEDES' SATURDAY AND MONDAY

New mixed nuts, 20c lb. Walnuts, this year, 16c lb, 2 for 35c. Cashews, almonds, filberts, pecans, 25c lb. Spanish natural new figs, 30c lb. Four good sized grapefruit, 25c. California or Florida oranges, sweet and juicy, 30c doz. Good quality mixed chocolates, 35c lb. All kinds fancy boxes candy, 50c to \$2.00 per box.

Wreaths, figs, dates, pure olive oil, tangerines, Malaga grapes and delicious apples. All fresh goods. We guarantee the quality and prices are the lowest. Arthur Deles.

SPECIALS AT CATER'S MARKET, 37 DANIEL ST., TEL. 120.

Legs of lamb, 33c lb. Pores of lamb, 24c lb. Sirloin roasts of beef, 32c lb. Fancy basket corned beef, 26c lb. Four grapefruit for 25c. Mixed nuts, 25c lb. English walnuts, 25c lb. Table raisins, 23c lb. Large sweet oranges, 40c doz. Fancy celery, cranberries, fresh killed turkeys, geese, ducks, fowls and chickens at Cater's Market.

SOUTH ELIOT

South Eliot, Dec. 21.—The Patriotic entertainment under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. will be held at Epworth hall this evening. No admission. Lynnhill Davis continues to make rapid recovery at the Portsmouth hospital.

Girls' Patriotic League, (Paul Jones house, corner State and Middle street) will keep open house on Christmas eve. All girls over 16 years invited. Also all army and navy men welcome.

Harry W. Young of the navy yard labor board office will pass the weekend and holiday in Exeter.

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To the Three Thousand Members of Our

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We extend to you a cordial invitation to join our 1918 Club, which will open on December 26th.

See how easy it will be to save \$1.00 a week and receive our check on Dec. 15, 1918, for your savings, plus interest.

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Begin at once and assure yourself of our check, which will come to you like a gift just before Christmas 1918.

Everybody needs money for Christmas.

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SELECTMEN WILL NOT GRANT THE PERMIT TO LAND

Cannot Allow Use of Town Pier Without Vote of the People.

The selectmen of Kittery have refused to grant the request of the P. D. & Y. St railway to land navy yard workmen inerry boat Alice Howard at the wharf. The selectmen take the stand that to grant such a privilege is not within their power, according to the town ordinances. They say that it will require a vote of the citizens and must be brought up at the regular town meeting for action. The P. D. & Y. St Ry officials are anxious to save a transfer of navy yard workmen at Badger's Island, and run the steamer Alice Howard direct from Portsmouth to the Kittery town landing. A hearing was held at Kittery before the selectmen on Thursday regarding the matter and the decision of the board was given today. It is unlikely that the Portsmouth, Dover and York Street railway will consult the public utilities commission and if that board declines to rule on the request, it will go before the people at the next regular town meeting.

NAVY YARD NOTES

Will Pass Holiday in Ohio Naval Constructor R. P. Schiabach, will pass Christmas at his home in Ohio and on his return to the yard will be accompanied by his wife and children.

One Dead; Other Saved Lieut. Walter Reno on duty at the local navy yard in 1912 was one of the officers who met death when the U. S. S. Chauncey was rammed recently on the other side of the Atlantic. Lieut. Cyrus Barnes, who was until a few months ago connected with the training camp at the local navy yard, was one of the crew to be saved. He suffered slight injuries from the collision.

Will Take Names From Caps The navy department has directed that the names of all ships be taken from the caps of sailors and the name replaced by the words "U. S. Navy." This change is said to have been brought about to avoid the presence of ships being known in port, and as a measure against German spies.

Commanded by Daniels. David Goldman, machinist's mate, second class, attached to the U. S. S. O'Brien, was today commanded for gallantry by Secretary Daniels. Goldman jumped overboard Oct. 30 and rescued Water tender Arthur G. Palmer after fighting a strong ebb tide.

Another Call Today. The Industrial Department today made a call for 15 house carpenters, 7 general helpers and 4 laborers.

To Give Minstrel Show The members of the naval prison at the local show will present a minstrel show there on Monday night.

FIREMEN GIVE THE CAPTAIN A BUFFET

Men of Engine 1 Make Presentation to Dennis J. Kelley.

Dennis J. Kelley, captain of Engine 1 Company, is just recovering from a surprise which he received from the members of the company who invaded his home on Union street on the occasion of his recent marriage. They brought with them a costly and handsome buffet which was presented to him in a few chosen words by Captain Thomas A. Moran. The captain was some time in recovering his composure but managed to express his sincere thanks for the useful gift and the words of the former captain.

The Sagamore boys then partook of a fine spread and put in the remainder of the evening with much merriment. Several vocalists of the company were heard and the Hydrant Quartet added much to the evening's program.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

On and after January 1, 1918, the price of hacks for funerals will be as follows: Portsmouth, \$5; Greenland, \$6; Newington, \$6; New Castle, \$6; Rye Centre, \$6; Kittery Foreside, \$6; North Kittery, \$5; Kittery Point, \$6.50; Eliot, \$6.50; North Hampton, \$7; Stratham, Hampton, Dover and Exeter, \$8. The price for the use of the hearse will be \$1.00 additional to the above prices in each case.

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OBITUARY

RESIGNS AS TEACHER AT PORTLAND

Frederick W. Wilmet, Jr. Frederick W. Wilmet, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wilmet, died at 10 o'clock this morning after a brief illness at his home, 105 Richards Avenue. He was 14 years of age and one of the brightest boys in the neighborhood. He is survived by two sisters. His death will be a shock to hundreds of young friends.

FUNERAL NOTICE.
The funeral of the late Albert H. Blackford will be held from his home in New Castle at 2 p. m. on Sunday.

Select Candies for Christmas

Please your friends by giving them candy for Christmas. It is the best gift for your wife, sweetheart or mother. All like candy.

Human nature craves for sweets, and that is why candy is the most appropriate gift.

Our bonbons, chocolates and candies of all varieties are famous for their purity and quality. They pave the path of friendship and help smooth out life's little wrinkles.

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GERMAN WAR ENSIGN NOW IN WASH.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The tattered ensign of the German cruiser Cormoran, sunk by her crew in Guan Harbor after the declaration of war, was received today by the navy department and placed among the relics of the navy library.

COLONIAL POPULAR MATINEES NEXT WEEK.

Starting Tuesday afternoon, with Tex Beach's famous novel, dramatized, "The Barrier," the Colonial will offer

for a series of daily matinees, next week, and it is anticipated that all records of attendance will be broken, since the Chicago Stock Company is one of the most popular traveling and have a repertoire that quite exceeds any list of plays that ever appealed to a matinee audience.

PROFITEER IS FINED \$9000

London, Dec. 21.—Henry Thompson of Dawesmere, a potato dealer, was fined \$9000 for selling potatoes above the price fixed by the food controller.

Read the Want Ads.

NAVY NEEDS 75,000 MORE BLUEJACKETS

(By Associated Press) Boston, Mass., December 21.—It became evident yesterday that local recruiting stations felt they were laboring under a handicap, caused by the general impression that enlisting in all branches of the United States war machine was to stop when the present week began.

An official has made the following statement:

"There is a widely spread erroneous popular idea that enlistments in the regular navy ceased by law December 15 and from now until the next draft is finished the navy recruiters will simply be marking time."

"That is not so. The navy never did 'simply mark time'; it is not doing so now across the water and it never will 'simply mark time.' The regular navy will continue recruiting as long as there is a United States—within draft age and out of it."

"The navy will welcome the application of any man, physically fit, if he will simply secure from his selection board a certificate that he is not required for the present draft."

"Actually the quotas for the current draft are now practically filled. And the second draft has not been called. Also the navy needs 75,000 plus now

bluejackets to take the soldiers across the water."

Men from any where can enlist at the Portsmouth navy yard.

PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Police Officer Smart is enjoying a vacation.

Morris Dwyer, state auto inspector, was here today on business.

Hon. John Scammon of Exeter passed Thursday night in this city.

Miss Marguerite Stoddard of Manchester is visiting her mother here.

Mr. Charles Durrell has moved into his new bungalow on Elwyn avenue.

Mrs. George W. Downing and daughter Thelma are passing the day in Boston.

Hugh J. Robertson of Brookline was here on Thursday connected with the big plant up river.

Miss Helen Furnish of Brunswick is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Matthews on Middle street.

Henry Murch, the popular clerk at the E. C. Matthews Hardware Store, is out after a week's illness.

Mrs. Sherman T. Newton left on Thursday for Boston, where she will be the guest of friends for the next few weeks.

Justin D. French of Amherst college has arrived to pass the Christmas season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. French of Middle street.

George N. Dawson, who has been in charge of the parcel post delivery for the local post office, will not leave with the quota of men who leave for Fort Williams, Portland Harbor, on Friday. Mr. Dawson will remain with the post office force during the rush.

Sergeant James McCarthy and Corporal Thompson of the 9th Company, Coast Artillery, now at Springfield, arrived home Thursday on a leave of absence until after the holidays. They have both been ordered to the third officers training camp at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., for training.

After considerable delay, the Women's Committee are able to continue the distribution of the food emergency lessons No. 3 on corn meal. It is hoped that hereafter a sufficient number of the lessons may be had at the time of the demonstration to circulate them promptly. The next demonstration will be on Jan. 2. Watch for further notices.

Special Red Cross poster sent the Rye-Portsmouth girls have been contributed to the local campaign by two of our townswomen. Look for them. They bear a message to all Rye people.

The prospects for 100 per cent membership returns begin to look dubious. Some people appear to think that because it is Christmas time they cannot spare the necessary dollar for Red Cross membership. It would seem that in the nearly two thousand years that have passed since that first Christmas, the basic and fundamental reason for the coming of the Christ child has faded, and the idea of self-sacrifice has been replaced by selfishness. Since all the standards of our supposedly high civilization have been very much shaken in the past three years of war and horror, relegating us to medieval barbarism, let us hark back yet a few hundred more years to the days of Him for whom Christmas is named, and give as He gave. Give to the Red Cross, and the Red Cross will give as He gave, freely, coming to those most needy as a messenger of love and mercy. The following already largely circulated, is yet worthy of further circulation: "A Red Cross Christmas. To those who feel poor."—By Henry Van Dyke.

I write as a brother. We are a large family. This world war "Made in Germany" against which we are fighting, has sent our incomes down and our expenses up. The pinch hurts, but it is not going to kill us. We still have enough, and something to spare. Though we feel poor, don't let us be impoverished by selfish fear.

Let us save in food, in service, in clothes, in luxuries, but not in money. Let us use it by giving it to save the wounded, the suffering, our friends, our country.

Let us keep Christmas this year, by keeping up the Red Cross. Then it will not be a poor Christmas, but a rich Christmas in our hearts.

LOOK AT RUBBER PRICES. Men's 4-buckle overhauls, \$2.20; 1-buckle overshoes, \$1.25; men's rubber boots, \$2.95; men's long leg rubber boots, \$3.65; boys' long leg rubber boots (size 11 to 2), \$2.25; men's rubbers (sizes 9 to 12), \$8.95; cut prices on felt boots and overs, at Mugridge's.

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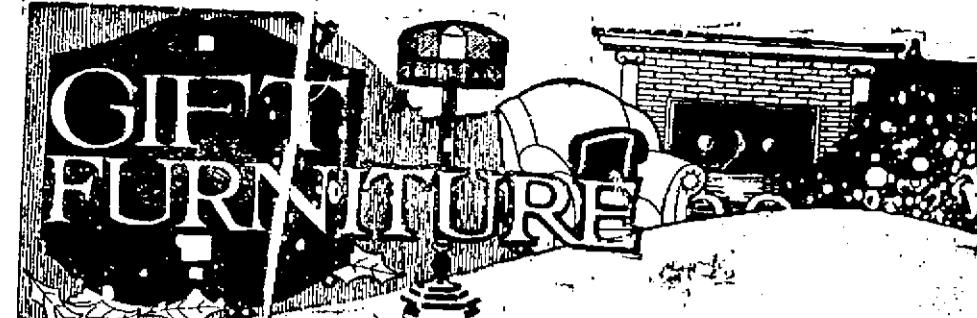
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Scene on Sale Friday.



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OPEN EVENINGS OF CHRISTMAS WEEK

COMMENCING THURSDAY EVENING DECEMBER 19

has been established at our store, where can be found the choicest selection of useful and ornamental articles suitable for presents to be found in this part of the state. For this Christmas sale we are quoting some prices that are bound to appeal to you. Look over this list. Let us show you through the line.

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Couch Covers.

Pedestals.

Tea Wagons.

Dinner Sets.

Art Squares.

Rugs.

Etc., Etc.

Make your selections. We will store the articles and deliver them free of expense anywhere you wish. Special Christmas deliveries arranged to suit purchaser. 100 Flexible Fliers, worth \$2.00, for \$1.25.

75 Flexible Fliers, worth \$1.75, for \$1.14.

PORTSMOUTH FURNITURE CO.,

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WAR ROBS COUNTY SEAT OF ITS ONLY BARBER

Alfred, Me., Dec. 21.—Alfred, the county seat, a village with nearly 1000 population, is without a barber, because Charles Haskell, the lonsor artist, has closed up his shop and entered the service of Uncle Sam. Alfred men yearning for a shave or other expert attention at the hands of a barber are forced to "hitch up" and drive five miles to Sanford, where the nearest shave shop is located.

WARNING

In complying with the request to display the Red Cross Service flag on Christmas eve, with a lit candle behind the flag in the window, householders are warned to remove all draperies and to take every precaution against fire. Wherever possible electric lights should be substituted for the candle.

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describes a talk with some German prisoners who had just been brought into the camp in France where he is. The Germans thought that America's part in the war is just bluff, and that the troops they saw were really Englishmen dressed up in Yankee uniforms to fool the enemy.

The Dartmouth Club of Portsmouth are to hold their annual dance on Thursday, Dec. 27, and they promise some novelty music.

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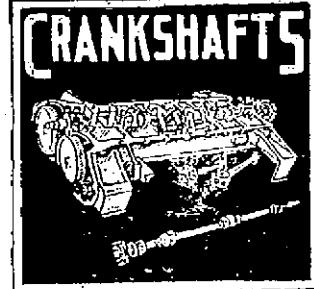
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SOLDIERS IN FRANCE LIKE SWEATERS

With the American Army in France, Dec. 20.—Those knitted garments, products of the affectionate and patriotic toll of American women back home, are the Yankees' pride, joy and comfort these days.

An inch of snow blanketed the entire American training area today. It was cold—intensely cold. The Yankees are prepared to face the Boche machine guns and their shells—but few are brave enough in this sort of weather to undress in their cold billets. Mostly they sleep in their clothes—with the sweaters, wristlets, helmets and muzzlers knitted by American women bundled about them. They help effectively in defying the winter chill. Defy the Snow.

The snow today made no difference in the training program. Thousands of the American fighters went through their bayonet, bombing, trench mortaring and machine gun drills unmindful of the weather. For the most part they discarded their cumbersome overcoats for the warm knitted sweaters—and they kept busy enough to get warm.

More Christmas packages are arriving almost hourly. Thousands of sacks of Christmas mail from home are now piled high on the railway station platforms.

THE NEW RECRUITS IMPRESSION AT PORTSMOUTH NAVY YARD

He came from the mountains
With tool box and grip,
And landed in Kittery
The end of his trip.
The journey was taken
To serve Uncle Sam;

But the chances for lodging
Didn't look worth a d-m.

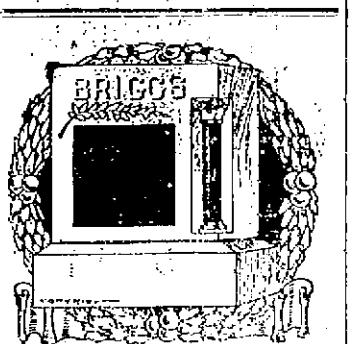
But he rented a room
By the kindness of Bill,
Close by a large boarding house
Where a man gets his fill.
With pass from the labor board
Escorted by guard.
This stranger has entered
His first navy yard.

All faces were strange ones
His vision was clear
That he made a mistake
When he started for here.
No friends to greet him
With hand shake or smile,
All left behind him
'll many a mile.

His room-mate was kindly
Of excellent pith
Came tried to conceal him
By naming him Smith.
And then he met Taylor
A man good and true
Then spars are to be made
He's right there with the glue.

Mr. Wendell, the foreman,
With his name in book,
Set wages per day—
Well he thought of his cook
Thought of prices way up
In clothes, bread and meat
And wondered through prudence
If they'd manage to eat.

The next man in order
To come marching along,
To omit his name hero
Would cheapen my song—
It's Blaisdell, one boss.



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Of the spar shop (chinked in)
Assigned him his work
And his labors begin.

The next man he met
In the course of his toils,
Was Blake the wood-turner
When Geo. Holt's out for spoils,
Then Philbrook called Howard
And Ladd christened Paul
He helped making blocks
In good fellowship all.

But then there are others—
From foreman to fellow,
Whose greeting is cheering
In "good morning," or "hello!"
In line of this thought
My mind turns to Swain
I would not forget him
In this mixed up refrain.

The voice of the muse
Is raised, with a bow,
She sounds forth the praise
Of Mr. Geo. Clough.
Then pausing to pray
She said Benjamin
Introduce Young Hercules
(Mr. Charles Jensen.)

John Barrett, of course,
Says the muse, with a wink,
Is not over come
By the smell of the ink.
Kindly John Yenton
And twirling Geo. Gove
Might well claim kinship
With the ancient God Jove.
The names of these workmen,
Able men of the right
Each doing his bit
To win this world's fight.
This stranger declares
He ends with his spear
That this navy yard's boys
Are friends, true as steel.

Mrs. James is the lady
Of whom he rents room,—
Of good Irish birth,
Once she worked at the loom,
And in her young girlhood
Came over the waters
To teach weaving here
Same as Erline's fair daughters.

But alas and alack
Scarce did she begin
When a beau came a-wooing
His surname was Elkin.
At last Elkin is granted
The wish of his life,
So he smiled at the priest
Who made Nell his wife.

The family record
Showed three bouncing boys,
The first one of which
Was burdened with toys
And in fine carriage
He cries and he babbles.
This swell baby cart
Cost seventy-five dollars.

Well! the sweetness of love
Is soon turned to tears.
Run down by the ears
In gay Elkin, young in years.
Then the days of forgetting
Elkin's smiles and his aims—
She's couched again
And weds Ernest James.

Now James is a soldier,
Marching off to the war,
To fight 'gainst the despot
Whom all men abhor
And under the flag
Of the red, white and blue
He'll help win the fight
Then come back home to you.

The roomers who rent
Or billet Mrs. James
I'll try here and now
To tell you their names,
John Salsbury, a traveler
With tales of world's scenes—
Son of Alphon by birth,
Is one of our marines.

Ransom Nason ascends
To his room up one flight
And there may be seen
Almost any night,
And now Mc is with him
They share the same bed.
Smith brought in his wife—
Then bashful Mc fled.

Now Smith I have mentioned
Once before in my song.
Luo. Jones rooms next to him
Llewellyn for long
Ted Elkin and a boy friend
Have a room on this floor,
Mr. Bickford another.

Thank you, there's no more.

Wm. Breton, you've guessed,
With his excellent wife
Run a boarding house here
With good fellowship ripe,
William, the Conqueror
Of historic renown,
Is nothing compared
To kind Bill, in this town.

And allow me to say
While I'm on this joy theme
Bill Breton's nowhere
To his wife Josephine,
Don't frown or demur
At this quip of my pen
She's his better-half
Full weight too—and then

The next one in order,
For the good of the meat,
Is Jack Driscoll, the cook,
Who sends up what we eat
When tired and hungry
There's nowhere in town
With more satisfied taste
To the food that goes down.

A word of good cheer
And approval I ween
Is appropriate here
To Jack's flour queen.
They christened her Winnie.
I'll leave Jack to say
In this game of draw
If its a good hand to play.

Victoria Hurtubise
And Mrs. Rose Burke
Draw full house or flush
If reward is for work.
Muriel Hurtubise, a niece,
Is here waiting table
And does, we believe
Such work as she's able.

The men, all on time,
As they come to their lunch,
See Miss Florence Landler,
Alt turn their heads once,
Thus it may well be said
Though the figure be strained
She has turned all the heads
That this lunch room contains.

—W. E. McCasland,
Kittery, Me.

GOVERNORS ASK MORE COAL HERE

Washington, Dec. 21.—Arrangements for improving the water transportation of coal from Hampton Roads and other tidewater points to New England to relieve the critical coal situation there were discussed here Thursday at a conference between Fuel Administrator Garfield, J. J. Storrow, Fuel Administrator for New England, and state governors and senators from that section.

Dr. Garfield presented plans under which coal for New England will be delivered at tidewater from the West Virginia and Pittsburg coal fields through distribution centers that will direct shipments from mines to the western part of the fields to western points and from mines in the eastern coal sections to eastern points and tidewater.

The fuel administration was told that curtailment of electric railway traffic in Boston already had been made necessary by the fuel shortage and that lack of coal would result in extended Christmas recesses in the schools of Boston and vicinity. Those conferring with Dr. Garfield, besides Mr. Storrow, were Governors McCall of Massachusetts, Keyes of New Hampshire, Holcomb of Connecticut, and Graham of Vermont; Harold Sewell representing the governor of Maine, and Senators Gallinger, Birmingham, Brandee, McLean, Gerry and Hale.

A CHANCE TO HELP

The Girls Patriotic League has still about 30 unfilled comfort bags for the soldiers for Christmas and they are very anxious to have people take one or more and fill them.

The League has in charge the mailing up of 500 for the soldiers at the forts in the lower harbor and there is only 30 left uncompleted.

FRENZIED FINANCING REVEALED

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 20.—From the seclusion of the corporation records the Federal Trade Commission have brought out startling disclosures of frenzied finances in the control of the Chicago Stock yards and the junction railroads.

The establishments of the ownership of the stock yards and also the alleged control of the meat of the country by a group of five or six packing houses will be followed up.

The organization of the Chicago stock yard under the Maine law as a legal guise to pay millions of dollars in pickings, as in rebates etc were brought out.

Many witnesses were heard today and more are to be heard including J. Ogden Armour, F. H. Prince of Boston who sought to obtain control of the Junction railroads; Richard Oley, F. Hart of the old Colony Trust and E. V. Thayer formerly of Boston, now of the Chase National bank in New York.

URGENT NEEDS IN THE NAVY YARDS

Brooklyn, N. Y.

9 Sailmakers \$0.36-4.40

Charleston, South Carolina.

5 Boatbuilders 3.36-4.40

7 Machinists, milling machine operators 3.68-4.72

9 Machinists, boring mill operators 3.68-4.72

1 Machinist, hand planer 3.68-4.72

2 Machinists, lathe hands 3.68-4.72

72 work 3.68-4.72

8 Machinists, lathe hands, small work 3.68-4.72

1 Machinist, Universal grinder operator 3.68-4.72

2 Machinists, toolmakers 3.68-4.72

1 Sailmaker 3.12-4.16

21 Sewing machine operators (female) 1.04-2.48

23 Shipfitters (layout boilermakers) 3.70-4.80

5 Shipsmiths (blacksmiths) 3.68-4.72

Key West, Florida.

2 Shipfitters 3.36-4.40

Norfolk, Virginia.

3 Coppersmiths 3.68-4.72

16 Machinists 3.68-4.72

20 Sailmakers 3.36-4.30

38 Shipfitters (layout boilermakers) 3.75-4.80

17 Shipsmiths (blacksmiths) 3.68-4.72

Pensacola, Florida.

1 Fabric worker 2.61-3.52

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

48 Boatbuilders 3.68-4.72

15 Coppersmiths 3.68-4.72

3 Drillers 2.72-3.76

6 Sailmakers 3.36-4.40

27 Shipfitters (layout boilermakers) 3.75-4.80

Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

3 Anglesmiths 3.70-4.80

4 Machinists, large machine tools 3.76-4.80

2 Shipfitters 3.76-4.80

North Church, Sunday, 5 P. M.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE.

Illustrated with the Stereopticon.
Offering for the Starving Children of Armenia.

M'WILLIAMS HAS A FAST STEED FOR THE SPEEDWAY

Purchases R. H. Brett With a
Record of 2 1/4 at Hartford.The speedway men will have to
watch out for P. T. McWilliams when

the latest addition to his stables comes out for a brush with the fast ones. His latest purchase is the handsome bay, R. H. Brett at Hartford, Ct. This horse carries a record of 2.03 1-4 and the world's record in a seven heat race.

There should be some extra speed shown when Brett's new owner is ready to tackle some of the choice racers in Rockingham, York and Strafford counties.

Warm Clothing and House Furnishing Goods for Christmas Gifts

THE D. F. BORTHWICK STORE

OFFERS

FABRICS FOR SUITS AND COATS

GLOVES AND HOSIERY

BLANKETS, COMFORTERS

TOWELS, DAMASK AND CRASHES

DAZEY CHURN

**Save Forty Per Cent on Your
Butter Cost**

Makes Two Pounds of Table Butter from One, by
merging equal quantities in weight of creamery
butter and milk.

R. L. COSTELLO

Seed Store

115 Market St.

A Talk With Santa Claus

Maybe you don't believe in that mythical being, although, if there are young children in the family, you'll never admit it—not to them—but the thought and the spirit of giving, these carry the same sweet pleasures, the same fond expectations as when you too used to watch for the reindeers to come.

For you Santa Claus is not hard to find. You know very well where to place him any time and, while he is unmasked, suppose you have a talk.

Say to this Santa Claus of yours that you would like to have him visit Margeson Brothers, that you want to meet him there.

Then, when you come, we'll show you a lot of handsome desks, dressing tables, chairs, sewing cabinets, lamps, couch covers and hundreds of other worth-while gifts too numerous to mention.

Incidentally, if conveyance isn't convenient, just phone five-seven-o, we'll send an automobile with a careful driver any hour during the day if you merely express a wish to visit "The Quality Store."

MARGESON BROS.

THE QUALITY STORE

Telephone 570

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES HELD AT SCHOOLS

Interesting Programs Carried Out by Children, and an Exchange of Gifts.

At the various public schools throughout the city Christmas exercises were held in the classrooms Friday afternoon, and small Christmas trees were in evidence, all prettily decorated and loaded with gifts exchanged by the teachers and pupils.

Schools closed today for the annual Christmas recess.

At the Farragut school the following interesting program was carried out:

Miss Leary's Room, Grade VI.

Christmas in England.

Paper by Merle Craig.

Song—"The Wassail Song."

Irish Dance.....Lilt

Christians in Art—

Correggio's "Holy Night," Paper by

Frances de Rochemont.

Serotte's "Arrival of the Shepherds,"

Paper by Walter Westgate,

Phoebe's "Announcement to the

Shepherds," Paper by Althea Dow.

Grade VI.

Miss Young's Room—Grades V-VI.

Christmas in Norway and Sweden.

Paper by Forrest Gray. Dramatization by Class.

Christmas in Poetry—Paper by William Davis. Kris Kringle (Thomas Bailey Aldrich), recited by Lorenzo Peters.

Grade V.

Welsh Dance—"Taffy was a Welshman."

A Puritan Christmas.

Miss Butler's Room—Grade V.

Christmas in France—Paper by Doris Renner.

Song, "The First Noel."

Christmas in Italy—Paper by Frank Ferranti; dramatization; song, "Santa Lucia."

Scotch Dance.....Reel

COURT TRIPOLI ELECTS OFFICERS

The annual meeting and election of officers of Court Tripoli Italia, No. 40, was held on Thursday evening. The officers are:

President—Emmanuel Cerasa.

Vice President—Joe Mangano.

Financial Secretary—Dominick Pata.

Recording Secretary—Jack Cusa.

Cashier—Frank Cucchiore.

Senior Guard—Charley Ferrara.

Junior Guard—Frank Carvello.

Senior Beader—Ignazio Gennic.

Junior Beader—Joseph Vozella.

Lecturer—Hepzibah Camuso.

Trustees—Frank Lizio, chairman;

Joseph Sacco and M. Ferrello.

The next meeting will be held the first Tuesday in January. Installation of officers; refreshments; music.

THE HERALD HEARS

That two navy yard sports spent Thursday in Boston.

That the trip back was the feature that figured in the day's pleasure.

That how they passed Portsmouth and landed in Kittery is yet to be explained.

That a stable keeper on Hanover street has something in horse flesh which he says will go against anything for a quarter of a mile in the state.

That Red Cross fake solicitors appear to be giving the authorities no small amount of trouble since the drive commenced.

That some of the local people are said to have refused to curtail on electric lighting.

That a western writer says if Germany wins the war, it won't be necessary to go to hell.

That Elboose keeps going up in price, and little selling for champagne figures, the water wagons will be as numerous as flies.

That it doesn't look like any such celebration as in the past in this city on New Years eve.

That the drivers of water wagons claim that the famous chariots cannot handle the passengers that are expected on the 1918 initial trip.

That the Red Necktie club has a new line of sport.

That the members have taken to snowshoeing and will make the first cross country trip to Epping and Newmarket.

That the Portsmouth Yacht club will have a Christmas tree on Monday night.

That there is considerable rivalry as to who will be the Kris Kringle.

That so far Luke Woodbury appears to be in the lead for the Santa Claus honor.

That whoever plays the part will have some chosen gifts to hand out to the incumbents.

That the fact that riches are said to bring unhappiness, people keep on struggling for them just the same.

That it doesn't take some of the strangers long to get busy in Portsmouth.

That they are hardly landed from

a train at the depot when they are in the limelight from every angle.

That no more names of United States navy ships will be put on the Jackies' caps.

That the unique rule will henceforth read: "U. S. Navy."

That several of the city departments were paid today.

That most of the church choirs will give their Christmas music on Sunday.

Did you get your sugar this morning? Xmas post cards, 8 for 5¢ at Pearsons'.

Fish of all kinds at Clark's Branch. Tel. 133.

Koleher trucks. C. E. Woods, Bow street.

The local stores are jammed with good things.

The schools close today for a weeks vacation and possibly more.

Fresh nuts and dates for the Xmas trade at Paras Bros. Tel. 29W.

The local stores are open evenings from now until Christmas.

A large crowd of late shoppers was out in full force Thursday evening.

Velle automobiles. C. E. Woods, Bow street.

Christmas bon bons and all kinds of seasonable confections at the Dore Store.

The Red Cross hat made a great hit on Thursday and they did a fine business.

Fancy boxes of chocolates and bon bons for holiday gifts in great variety at Paras Bros.

A local grocer says he will go "bug house" if the women don't give him a rest on the sugar question.

The Dore Store can give you anything in the holiday confectionery line. Reliable goods at reasonable prices.

Lobsters and fresh fish of all kinds, caught by our own boats, fresh every day. E. Jameson & Sons. Tel. 25.

Buy your Christmas candy where you are sure of the quality. Nichols' Candy Store.

You ought to let your boy or girl learn to play the violin. Splendid outfit at Montgomery's this year.

Why not start the new year by ordering a tailor made suit of M. Schwartz, 179 Congress street.

Walking after eight o'clock at night may still be the real thing about New England before the war is over.

Our fruit is always reliable, the kind you want at reasonable prices. Paras Bros. Tel. 29W.

Kodak means fun for the youngster the whole year round. Full supply of best models at Montgomery's.

Our variety of fancy boxes is complete and our broken and Christmas candy is the same reliable kind we always sell. Dore Store.

A few useful Christmas gifts. Nicker towel rods, nicker tea kettles, Universal bread mixers, double roasting pans, at W. E. Paul's, 87 Market street.

The school orchestra needs your boy and his cornet or violin. Either instrument can be had by consulting Montgomery's.

Order your ice cream for Sunday or Christmas day from Paras Bros. Delivered at your convenience. Tel. 29W.

Fancy boxes all fitted for your tree to each at Pearson's.

Try our broken candy, the home-made kind you like so well. Nichols' Candy Store.

For the convenience of our customers the Old Hardware Shop will remain open evenings of Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Monday before Christmas, as we have many useful articles for your inspection. Pryor Davis Co.

Your fur remodeled at reasonable prices by M. Schwartz, 179 Congress street, opp. Public Library. Tel. 496M.

There will be a big rush of people from Portsmouth Saturday afternoon. Hundreds of people from the navy yard, ship building plant leave to spend Christmas at their homes.

For Xmas, a good auto robe, a pair of Weed tire chions; the tester; battery tester; a good auto jack; running board mats; electric searchlight; or horn; a Gondrich tire or tube; a Chevrolet auto, the most satisfactory car built. Chas. E. Woods, Chevrolet, Velle and Koehler cars, Bow street. Autos for rent. Tel. 472. b d12.

Upholsterers of antique and modern furniture. Hair mattresses renovated. Margeson Bros. Tel. 570.

Let the Nichols Store supply your ice cream Sunday or Christmas. The Nichols quality is well known. Telephone 142W.

AT MUGRIDGE'S.

Fancy strlom steak, 30c; spring lamb chops (the fancy rib kind) 32c; spring lamb legs (very fancy), 29c; pot roast beef (no bone), 24c; fresh pigs' feet, pigs' ears and snouts; bacon (small pieces), 35c; small half hams (1 to 5 lbs.), 28c; fresh pork shoulders (small), 20c; fresh pork (to roast), 30c; light salted beef tongues, 28c; home made mince meat, 18c.

LET US SUGGEST.

Quality, Schrafft, Reputation Chocolates in fancy cartons and bulk. Oranges, bananas, apples, nuts, raisins as offered in the best markets. Olive oil, macaroni and canned goods. Orders delivered. Tel. 1138M.

R. L. REINEWALD, BANDMASTER.

JOSEPH DONDERO.

COLLECT SUM

OF \$202.09 FOR

HALIFAX FUND

Parishioners at the Catholic Church Give Liberally to Sufferers of Stricken City.

The collection for the Halifax sufferers taken among the parishioners of the Church of the Immaculate Conception at the several services on Sunday last amounted to \$202.09. The money has been turned over to E. H. Baker, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce who is acting treasurer of the fund. The collection was the result of an appeal made by the rector, Rev. D. Alex Sullivan, P. R., and the amount given is very gratifying considering the very short notice received by the pastor and the congregation.

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